MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) to (c). Adequate decentralisation exists in different functional areas of Food Corporation of India. In this regard, the main aspects are indicated below:–

(i) The procurement of foodgrains is largly made through State Governments and other agencies. Direct procurement by FCI is relatively much less.

(ii) The distribution of foodgrains to the Public Distribution System is also mostly made through the State Governments or their agencies.

(iii) The storage capacity required for foodgrains is only partly owned by FCI. The balance requirements of FCI are met by other agencies such as Central Warehousing Corporation, State Warehousing Corporations, etc.

(iv) The organisational structure of FCI is decentralised into zones, regions and districts. Adequate powers, commensurate with functional requirements, have been delegated to the managerial personnel at successive levels.

Institute of Indology

6375. DR. RAMESH CHAND TOMAR:
SHRI RAJENDRA AGNIHOTRI:
SHRI KASHIRAM RANA:
SHRI ASHT BHUJA PRASAD SHUKLA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to establish an International Institute of Indology to provide facilities for inter-disciplinary resources in Sanskrit and other Indian and foreign languages;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPEMNT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Question does not arise.

(c) A proposal to establish an International Institute of Indology was examined by the Government some time ago, but it was accorded a very low priority. It was, therefore, decided that no such institution need be set up.

Admission in Kendriya Vidyalayas

6376. SHRI B. DEVARAJAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state the details of the rules prescribed and criteria adhered to for admission of students in the Kendriya Vidyalayas?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): 1. The Kendriya Vidyalayas cater primarily to the children of transferable employees of the Government of India and a change of station in the preceeding seven years is taken as a transfer.

2. The Kendriya Vidyalayas in the civil and Defence Sector adhere to the following priorities for admissions:

(i) Children of transferable Central Government employees including Defence Personnel, CRPF/BSF/SPG/CISF/NSG, employees of All Indian Services and Indian Foreign Serv-

ices, children and dependent grand-children of M.Ps., children of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan employees and children of transferable Central Government employees including Defence Personnel who die in harness.

(ii) Children of transferable employees of autonomous bodies and Public Sector Undertakings fully financed by Central Govt.

(iii) Children of non-transferable Central Govt./Central Public Sector Undertaking employees.

(iv) Children of other floating population which includes population desirous of joining the pattern of studies adopted in Kendriya Vidyalayas.

3. In the Project Sector the priorities for admission are as follows:

(i) Children of the employees of the Institutions of Higher Learning/Public Sector Undertaking which is meeting all the recurring and non-recurring expenditure on the Vidyalaya building and equipment and staff and children of the employees of the concerned Kendriya Vidyalaya.

(ii) Children of transferable Central Govt. employees including Defence/CRPF/BSF/BRTF/SPG/CISF/NSG Personnel and employees of All India Services and the Indian Foreign Service.

(iii) Children of transferable employees of other autonomous bodies and public sector Undertakings fully financed by Central Government.

(iv) Children of Non-transferable Central Govt./Central Public Sector Undertakings employees including Defence/CRPF/BSF Personnel.

(v) Children of other floating population which includes civilian population desirous of joining the pattern of studies adopted in the Kendriya Vidyalayas.

4. There is reservation upto 15% and 7½% of fresh admissions for SC and ST candidates respectively.

5. Authority to grant admission in Kendriya Vidyalayas to children, irrespective of the category to which they belong, is exercised, in deserving cases by the Commissioner with the prior approval of the Chairman.

Mal-Changrabandha Railway Line (West Bengal)

6377. SHRI JITENDRA NATH DAS: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the present position of Mal -Changrabandha metre-gauge line in Jalpaiguri district, West Bengal;

(b) whether funds have been allotted during last three years for the development/maintenance of this line; and

(c) if so, the details regarding the utilisation of funds in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE